

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
NORTHERN DISTRICT OF ILLINOIS**

IN RE:

CHICAGO BOARD OPTIONS EXCHANGE
VOLATILITY INDEX MANIPULATION
ANTITRUST LITIGATION

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18-cv-4171

MDL No. 2842

Honorable Manish S. Shah

**JOINT APPLICATION FOR RENEWED APPOINTMENT OF
PLAINTIFFS' LEADERSHIP COUNSEL**

On August 16, 2018, the Court appointed Co-Lead Counsel and a Steering Committee for this action for a one-year term (Dkts. 119-120, appointment expiring Aug. 16, 2019). The Court determined those appointments would “best represent the variety of named plaintiffs, products, and potential theories of liability.” Dkt. 119. The Court has since renewed those appointments several times for either six-month or 1-year terms.¹

The most recent appointment term will expire on February 28, 2022. Dkt. 334. Accordingly, the undersigned now submit this joint application to renew the Court’s current appointments, with no changes, for another year. All Co-Lead Counsel, and members of the Steering Committee, support this renewal. If granted, the Leadership Counsel and Steering Committee would remain as follows:

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Co-Lead Counsel, along with the Steering Committee, have continued to fulfill all of the duties and responsibilities outlined in the appointment order. The appeal of this Court’s dismissal order is still pending in the Seventh Circuit. Though counsel do not expect any actions

¹ See Dkt. 241 (extending appointments through Aug. 1, 2019); Dkt. 268 (extending appointments through Feb. 17, 2020); Dkt. 302 (extending appointments through Feb. 28, 2021); Dkt. 334 (extending appointments through Feb. 28, 2022).

to be necessary on behalf of the class until the Seventh Circuit issues a decision, we believe it prudent to have the appointments formally extended now so that responsibility for acting on behalf of the class is clear. That way, the class is not left unprotected should unforeseen events require quick decisions, such as (hypothetically) whether to file a request for re-hearing any aspect of the appeal following the Seventh Circuit's (forthcoming) decision.

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I, Jonathan C. Bunge, hereby certify that on February 23, 2022, I electronically filed the foregoing document using the CM/ECF system, and have verified that such filing was sent electronically using the CM/ECF system to all parties who have appeared with an email address of Record.

Dated: February 23, 2022

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